

Oxford, which learned place he left with the enviable reputation of being the most dissipated man, the best pistol shot and the idliest fellow in the university. After leaving the university with these valuable acquirements, he spent a few months with his cousin at his living; after this he visited Dublin during his stay there Mr. Irving showed him some attention; at his house he met Ellen; he was struck by her beauty, and understanding that she would certainly be left a large fortune by her uncle, he began to think as he himself expressed it in a letter, to one of his companions, that he might do worse than give over raking for a little while, and commit matrimony with a devilish good fortune, and a devilish fine girl.

An unexpected summons from England the nature of which he did not disclose, and which no one of course inquired, prevented him from taking any steps, at the period, in his scheme. The following year, however he accepted Mr. Irving's invitation to renew his visit. And as he learned, of accurate authority, that Mr. Irving's wealth exceeded even the sum that common report had assigned to him, he did so with the full intention of carrying his matrimonial speculation into effect.

Charles was, at this time, just at the eye of being called to the bar. Every day confirmed him in his belief that Ellen was not indifferent to him. His ardent spirit, too, fancied that every obstacle would be soon removed, and that his prospects in his profession would soon assume so brilliant a coloring, as to present his proposal for Ellen's hand in an unobjectionable light even to Mr. Irving. Poor fellow! he knew little of the profession he had chosen—of the hope deferred that maketh the heart sick!

(To be continued)

From the New York Times.

MELANCHOLY AND MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE.

The coroner was called yesterday to view the body of an interesting and beautiful young lady named Emma Smith, aged 22, a native of England, who died at the house of Mr. Bigerton, 323 Bleeker street, about one o'clock yesterday, in great agony from the effects of corrosive sublimate, taken on Thursday last.

It was rumored that the deceased had been driven to the commission of the rash act, by a morbid religious fanaticism; but it will be seen by a careful perusal of the testimony adduced on the inquest, that there is another unknown and probable cause hinted at. We have no room for further remark and shall therefore content ourselves with laying before our readers the whole of the evidence which is full of interest not mixed with pathos.

The first witness called was the aunt of the deceased, Charlotte Bigerton. She stated that the deceased was her niece, that her mother was dead, her father in England—that she was a very prudent, industrious, steady girl, of serious character. She joined the church last April. On Thursday, about half past ten o'clock, she took a quantity of corrosive sublimate, and told witness immediately after having taken it. She had often said she never would be happy in this world, and wished she was out of it. She thought she never could come up to the standard of perfection as represented to her. She belonged to Mr. Dower's church in Carmine street; she has seen him since she has been sick, and the deceased told him that she never could be as good as he represented; she has been unable to talk the whole of the two last days.

Sarah Cappel—stated that she lived next door to the last witness. Mr. Bigerton called her in after the deceased had taken the poison, found her in great agony. She said she took it intentionally; that she had been very low spirited for a month or two, and said she felt so wicked—her heart was nothing but sin; she could not produce a good thought; she said she could not be more miserable. This witness here produced the two following letters, which the deceased handed to her shortly previous to her death—they are without date or signature.

"Dear Aunt—Let me say a few words to you. I hope that you will not make my death give you any trouble. Think it all for the best. I know that I shall only be a trouble if I live. I was once a great comfort to you; I have spent many happy days together, but they are all over; and it is my fault and not yours. You are the same friend to me as ever, but I am not to you. I feel very much altered. Aunt don't grieve yourself, but make yourself as happy as you can; you will feel lonesome but let your dear children be a comfort to you. Put your trust in God and he will help you. You have seen a deal of trouble, but it will soon be over; don't crave the riches of this world, but live as easy as you can and take good care of what you have got. Dear Aunt don't grieve. Keep these lines—"

"Uncle, I wish to say a few words to you before I die; that is, I hope you will never think it my aunt or you that is the cause of my death, and above all never upbraid my dear aunt of it. It is my own wicked heart that leads me to it. Uncle I hope you will use my aunt better when I am gone; you know better than I can tell you how you lived the last few years. I expect you see a great alteration in me lately; I feel that I am getting more wicked every day. I feel I shall never be any better if I had all this world. Never grieve for me, for I lived long and happy."

Verdict—suicide.

THE TORTOISE.

In the Library of Lambeth palace is the shell of a land tortoise, brought there about the year 1623, that lived till 1730, a period of 107 years. Another was placed in the Episcopal palace of Fulham, by bishop Laud, in 1626, and died in 1734—125 years. How old they were when placed in the garden was unknown. From a document belonging to the cathedral, called the Bishop's Barn, it is ascertained that the tortoise at Petersborough must have been 220 years old. Bishop Marsh's predecessor in the see of Petersborough had remembered it above 60 years, and remarked no visible change. He was the seventh bishop since it sojourned there. Its favorite food was the flower of the dandelion lettuce, green peas, &c. In the latter part of June it inclined to eat strawberries, currants, and the like. The gardener said it knew him well, as he generally fed it, and would watch it attentively at a goose-berry bush, where it was sure to take its station while he was plucking the fruit. It would take no animal food, nor milk nor water. In cloudy weather

ELECTION FOR 1838.

OFFICIAL RETURNS

HUNTINGDON COUNTY,

	Gov'n'r	Cong's	Senators	Assembly	Sheriff	Amend
	Porter	Porter	Ever	Porter	Shannon	For Amend
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Huntingdon	152	304	156	304	153	295
Dublin	70	54	69	51	68	50
Warriormark	169	164	181	132	173	136
Allegheny	166	135	183	119	168	171
Williamsburg	199	149	206	145	202	146
Woodberry	128	86	133	81	127	127
Hopewell	86	47	86	45	85	44
Barree	116	253	119	251	113	251
Shirley	131	111	131	109	131	108
Antis	152	135	153	223	133	223
Porter	121	134	122	132	123	130
Franklin	117	111	122	107	119	129
Tell	45	101	47	100	50	98
Springfield	124	34	124	34	125	34
Union	116	36	118	36	118	36
Roxberry	39	44	38	44	39	43
Tyrone	149	54	149	54	148	53
Morris	729	73	732	74	725	72
West	118	187	125	181	124	182
Walker	78	96	78	87	77	87
Todd	99	86	98	92	96	92
Murray's Run	25	21	26	20	26	20
Crowswell	131	58	132	57	134	55
Frankstown	202	51	207	47	206	48
Holidaysburg	225	237	227	234	224	237
TOTAL	3687	2761	3766	2691	3710	3778

We give only the majorities for Commissioner and Auditor, they run about with the ticket. Commissioner, JAMES MOORE, 3725; Auditor, JESSE MOORE, 3702; George Moore, 2719; Isaac Vandevander, 2746. Those names in SMALL CAPITALS were Democratic Antislavery candidates, the others are Sub Treasury federalists. We have, out of compliment, inserted the name of Mr Betts, he was not on the returns for sheriff.

it cooped a cavity in the ground, where it laid torpid till the sun appeared. For a month before retiring to winter quarters it refused all sustenance; the depth of its burrow varied as the approaching winter was mild or severe, being from one to two feet. Mr. White, in his history of Selbourne, from which this account is taken, mentions one which always retired to the ground early in November, and emerged in April. It was very timid with regard to rain, although its shell would resist a loaded cart. As sure as it walked elate, on tiptoe, so sure came rain before night. The tortoise has an arbitrary stomach and lungs, and can refrain from eating or breathing a great part of the year. As soon as the old lady who fed this one for thirty years came in sight, it would hobble towards her with awkward alacrity, but was inattentive to strangers. "The ox knoweth his owner."

Juvenile Swindling.

A boy about 12 years of age, named James Killy, a native of Connecticut, and remarkably cute, was charged and committed to the lower police office on Saturday, with attempting to gull some green ones of Gotham, by practising upon their cupidity, in the following fashion. After lavatering the physiognomy of his intended dupe, he would slyly place a counterfeit sovereign in the pathway, and when he saw it had attracted attention, he would suddenly spring forward and pick it up. His cupidious dupe would then exclaim "that's mine." "I guess not," says the boy, "its mine any how you can fix it. I found it, and I kalkelate upon keeping it." After some parleying the boy allows himself to be persuaded that it does belong to the person laying claim to it, and on condition that he is to be paid a dollar, he hands it over to the dishonest claimant. The boy soon disappears, and the dupe wanders his way chuckling and rejoicing at the way in which he had obtained the victory. Arrived at a convenient spot he takes a look at the coin, he becomes doubtful of its genuineness, seeks advice, and finds that he has "paid a good silver dollar for a gullt farthing."

Canada.

This country is represented to be in a most wretched condition. The opinion is rapidly gaining ground that something of a positive nature must be done, and that quickly too, or the colonies will inevitably pass beyond the power of Great Britain. Alluding to the probable departure of Lord Durham, a Montreal correspondent writes: "This has caused in the British portion of the population of Lower Canada the deepest possible regret, for they have in prospect every evil to contemplate. Something must be done speedily, or these colonies are lost to the mother country. Lord Durham had seemed to be mediator destined to bring about a better state of things in Canada, but through the culpable ignorance of some men calling themselves Lords, in the upper house

of Parliament, this country is to be total ly ruined.

"Commerce is at a stand, a positive and determined stand. Men in the possession of a large amount of property know not how soon they may be reduced to beggary. The whole of last winter was occupied in drillings and night watches, and the coming one seems to present to the upper Canada Banks are in confusion. Emigration is at a total stop, and the country has been thrown at least 10 years backwards. You may think I am not writing coolly when I write the above, but such is the state of feeling universally manifested throughout our community."

TEXAS.

Houston papers to the 22d ult. have been received by the editor of the New Orleans Bee. The official returns of the election for President and Vice President of Texas, show that General Lamar has been chosen President almost unanimously, and that Burnett is the successful candidate for the Vice Presidency.

The Houston Banner of the 21st states that a most decided feeling of hostility towards the government and people manifests itself among the Indian tribes, on the western and north western frontier. Capt. Love, who, together with some fifteen others left San Antonio a few months since for the purpose of trading with the Comanches, and for whose safety fears had been entertained, has fallen a victim to the bad faith of those among whom he had gone with a view to traffic. The scalps and clothes of the party were carried into Precedo by certain Comanche Indians, as evidence of the zeal and fidelity with which they were prepared to execute their bond of blood to the Mexican government. The Lipans are said to be now on the Rio Grande, holding direct intercourse with Mexico, of a nature similar to that which, it is believed, her secret emissaries and agents have for some time past been keeping up with the tribes along the whole extent of the Indian border. Serious commotions from the treachery of these savages are looked for daily.

NEW ORLEANS, October 1. PACKET SHIP KENTUCKY CAST AWAY.

Every arrival brings fresh tidings of disasters at sea, caused by the late storm. By the Star, which arrived in our port on Saturday last, we have the particulars of the loss of the packet Kentucky, Capt. Johnson, from New York, bound to this port. Before daylight, on the morning of the 7th September, while sailing across the Bahama Bank, she was overtaken by a gale of wind, which continued without intermission during that day; and on the eighth, increased in violence, till it blew a hurricane. The force of the gale was tremendous, tearing from the ship every rag of canvas, and leaving to the luckless crew, no other hope of safety, but to scud before the wind, under bare poles. For many hours, the crippled packet was driven in this plight across the vexed bil-

lows, at the mercy of the elements. In the open ocean, with plenty of sea room, there would have been no doubt of her riding out the storm in safety. But the navigation in that quarter was enervated with shallows and islands. The only hope for the mariners, was, that the storm might subside before the vessel was drifted to the shore. In this, however, they were doomed to disappointment.

On the morning of the 8th ult. at about eleven o'clock, a change in the color of the water showed to plainly that they were approaching land. The apprehension was soon confirmed by the sign of breakers ahead; and shortly after the ship struck against a reef of rocks, near the north Bemini island, where she lodged within a cable's length of the shore. In this situation every roll of the sea made a breach over the vessel. Her sky lights were stove in, and the water pouring in through the cabin window, filled the hold. Her bottom soon gave way, being broken up by the violent thumping against the rocks; and in five minutes after striking, she bilged and lay a wreck. Fortunately for the passengers and crew, a point of land reached within a few yards of the bow of the vessel. With great difficulty, and at imminent peril, a hawser was carried out, and attached to the shore.

This afforded a way of escape. By clinging to and climbing along the cable, (to which they lashed themselves) every soul on board struggled through the waves, and effected a safe landing; Not a single life was lost. Of the cargo, very little was saved—perhaps one-fifth, and that in a damaged state.—The vessel is a total loss. The passengers speak in the highest terms of the intrepidity and seamanship-like conduct of Captain Johnson, on this trying occasion. The destruction of the Kentucky in the position which he occupied, was inevitable and resulted from a peril of the sea, which no human foresight or skill could avert. The wreckers were busy in rendering assistance to every vessel in distress—Captain Johnson remained on the Bemini island till the 14th September, after which he intended to accompany the wreckers with the relics of the Kentucky's cargo, to Port Nassau; New Providence.

Horrible Catastrophe!

From yesterday's N. Y. Whig. We have just heard that a horrible catastrophe attended yesterday's parade. The troops were returning home along the Ha-len road. About dusk a carman was observed coming from town by the soldiers towards Harlem. When some yards before them he lashed his horse with fury, which galloping with impetuosity, dashed through the 3d regiment into about the middle of the 9th. About 50 of the soldiers, it is said, were overturned and two are reported as having been killed. The soldiers, infuriate, drew swords and stabbed the wretched carman in several places, and in the confusion some stabbed each other. Alderman Hall, the commander, proceeded to the place, and prevented the carman's being slain on the spot, and officers Rose and Jones proceeded with him to the Upper Police, where he was handed over to medical aid, but his life is despaired of. His name is Michael Dalby.

MURDER.

We learn from Lycoming county, that a man in Newbury named Dunlop, who had been separated from his wife, went to her residence and demanded from her, their child, whom she was nursing. She refused to give up her infant, when the father fell upon her with an axe, and killed both her and her child, mutilating the bodies in a shocking manner. Having accomplished this horrible deed, the wretch cut his own throat, but ineffectually—he will probably recover.

U. S. Gazette.

From the Petersburg Intelligencer. DISASTROUS STORM AND LOSS OF PROPERTY.

On Saturday morning our town was visited with one of the most violent storms which we ever witnessed. About 2 o'clock, A. M. the rain accompanied by a violent gale from the North East, began to fall in torrents, and continued without intermission until 7 A. M., when it abated. During this period, short as it may appear, a part of the town was so completely inundated, causing several families to leave their own home and take shelter with their neighbors; and doing much injury to the property both of the town and individuals. At one time Bank, Market, and Old streets, presented fearful aspect; the water rushed in torrents from every direction; cellars were filled to overflowing, and great fears were entertained that several houses would be undermined by the force of the flood. We have not been able correctly to learn the amount of property injured, but we should suppose that individual losses amounted to at least \$50,000, and the town to perhaps \$100,000 more. On the coast we fear the loss of life and property, has been great. Owing to the injury received by the Richmond and Petersburg Rail Road, (which we understand will be speedily repaired,) the Northern mail of Saturday was not received until Saturday evening. The Petersburg and Roanoke Rail Road, though somewhat injured, is still in a passable condition. Our Friday's papers which were mailed for the South, were destroyed by the inundation of the Post office; this will we hope, account to our Southern friends for the failure of

their papers. We understand great injury has been done to the adjoining country, in the destruction of Bridges, Mill dams, Fences, &c.

TERRORS OF A GUILTY CONSCIENCE. A sailor was recently murdered in N. Orleans, and found by the police authority under the floor of a tap-room, most singularly mangled—his head and all his limbs severed from his body.

One of the accomplices in the foul transaction, surrendered himself to the police, confessed that he had been forced to give himself up, by the terrors of a guilty conscience. Ever since I fled from my house, he said, the corpse of that murdered man has been by my side—wherever I go, spectre haunts me, and not for a single moment can I shut my eyes against the frightful apparition; sooner than suffer as I have done for the last few hours, let me be hanged—I would rather face the gallows than be tormented by the diabolical images of murder and guilt. Such we are told, was the substance of his statement. Had he listened to the warnings of this friendly monitor, when the first step in crime was taken, he might have escaped the horrors of unavailing regret, and the shame of ignominious death.—Com Bulletin.

Sheriff's Sales

BY virtue of sundry writs of VENUDIT, and EXONAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Huntingdon County, to me directed, will be exposed to public Sale at the Court House, in Huntingdon, Monday the 12 day of November next, at 10 o'clock A. M. the following property, to wit: Two lots of ground in Watersburg, and lot of ground in the Northern Liberties, Holidaysburg, on which is erected a frame house unfinished. Seized, taken under execution, and to be sold as the property of Charles Allen.

ALSO. Seventy acres of land more or less in A. S. township adjoining lands of Wm P. D. art, Israel Cryder, and lands of James Zor, about ten acres cleared, and under fence and no buildings thereon. Seized, taken under execution, and to be sold as the property of Abram R. Crane, James Mullicham, &c.

ALSO. A tract or parcel of land in Barree Township, adjoining lands of Jonas Rudy, W. Meers and others, containing ten acres more or less, thereon erected a small stone house and a small log stable. Seized, taken under execution, and to be sold as the property of Geo. Rudy.

ALSO. A house and lot of ground in the town of Frankstown on Main Street, bounded by lot of C. Garber, and others, thereon erected a two story frame house. Seized, taken under execution, and to be sold as the property of John Spielman.

ALSO. All the right title interest and Estate of Robert McFarland of into and out of one hundred acres of land in Tell Township adjoining lands of Wm Orr, Esq, Hugh Doran, H. H. and others, about 90 acres cleared thereon erected a two story square log house, a double log Barn, log Split House and spring House, and Orchard thereon. Seized, taken under execution, and to be sold as the property of Robert McFarland.

ALSO. Eleven acres of land in Porter township adjoining Robert Lytle, Geo. Hill and others also a lot of ground in the Borough of Alexandria containing two acres adjoining a lot of Ann Stewart and others, thereon erected a two story frame house and frame stable. Also one other lot of ground in Alexandria containing two acres more or less under fence adjoining a lot of Gemill's and others. Seized, taken under execution, and to be sold as the property of Rev. James Thompson, dec'd.

ALSO. BY virtue of an order of Sale, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Huntingdon County on a certain proceeding in an action of partition in said Court and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Huntingdon, on Monday (12th day) of November next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. "A tract of land situate in Barree Township in the said County on the waters of Stone Creek, adjoining lands of Wm Couch, David Peigh, &c. and others, containing two hundred acres more or less to be sold as the property of James S. Apple, Geo. Semple, Wm Semple, John Semple, Frank Semple, James Wilkins and Elizabeth his wife formerly Elizabeth Semple, David A. Semple, Francis Semple, Alexander R. Semple and Caroline Semple, parties to the said action of partition.

Terms of Sale.—One half of the purchase in money to be paid in hand, and the residue in one year thereafter with interest.

ALSO. At the same time and place By virtue of a writ of Fire Facies issued out said Court and to me directed. A lot of ground situate in the town of Shirleyburg in the County of Huntingdon, adjoining John Owens on the South and Mary Barton on the North, with a two story log house and Potters Kiln, thereon erected, Seized, and taken in Execution, and to be sold as the property of James Oliver.

STOVES.

The Subscriber respectfully informs the public, that he has on hand a general assortment of COOK, COAL, NINE PLATE STOVES.

Also Stove Pipe and Tin Ware, which he will sell wholesale and retail, at his shop.

MARKET SQUARE HUNTINGDON.

(opposite C. Couts Tavern) He hopes by careful and strict attention to his business, to give satisfaction to all to favor him with his patronage.

WILLIAM B. ZIGLER.

Huntingdon October 16 1838.